

TAB B

Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949

General.

The CIA Act of 1949 authorizes payment of the cost of treatment and, where required, travel expenses to the nearest suitable hospital or clinic, in the event of illness or injury requiring hospitalization, not the result of vicious habits, intemperance, or misconduct on the part of the claimant, incurred in the line of duty while the officer or full time employee is assigned to a permanent-duty station outside the continental United States, its territories and possessions. It also authorizes the establishment of a first-aid station and a nurse at permanent-duty stations overseas where the number of personnel warrants such a station and payment of the cost of physical examinations and administering inoculations or vaccinations at overseas stations.

Discussion.

The CIA Act authorizes the payment of medical expenses arising out of illness or injury "incurred in the line of duty." In scope, the criterion "incurred in the line of duty" encompasses the concept "incurred in the performance of duty" found in the Federal Employees' Compensation Act and extends to cover also illness and injury "not the result of vicious habits, intemperance, or misconduct on his part, incurred while on permanent assignment abroad." The Act does not authorize the payment of compensation for time lost from work due to such illness or injury, nor the payment of disability or death benefits.

The language contained in the subject medical authorities was drawn from the Foreign Service Act of 1946 with congressional comments relating thereto so indicating, without discussion. When we look to the administration of that Act under vouchered funds and the surveillance of the General Accounting Office over payments made thereunder, we find a ready reference for guidance. Set forth below

is a complete list of (1) illnesses and injuries in the Foreign Service for which payment was made under their authority during the fiscal year 1951, (2) the number of cases of each type, and (3) the average number of days of hospitalization for each type of illness or injury.

<u>Illnesses</u>	<u>No. of Cases</u>	<u>Average Days</u>
<u>Infectious Diseases</u>		
Dysentery	24	12
Bronchitis	11	8
Hepatitis	41	19
Influenza	15	6
Malaria	6	4
Meningitis	1	11
Misc. Fevers	12	13
Dengue Fever	1	15
Rheumatic Fever	3	14
Scarlet Fever	1	10
Tick Fever	1	11
Misc. Intestinal Parasites	3	7
Mononucleosis	4	19
Mumps	3	10
Paratyphoid	1	6
Pleurisy	4	6
Polio-myelitis	2	6
Pneumonia	21	12
Tonsillitis	12	5
Tuberculosis	14	17 1/4
Typhoid	6	13
<u>Injuries</u>		
Automobile Injuries	7	7
Fractures	20	35
Head Injuries	5	10
Hernia	24	12
Misc. Injuries	7	6

<u>Illnesses</u>	<u>No. of Cases</u>	<u>Average Days</u>
<u>Tumors and Cysts</u>		
Cancer	16	30
Cyst	11	7
Benign Tumor	24	13
<u>Respiratory Disorders</u>		
Misc. Respiratory System Disorders	9	19
Misc. Upper Respiratory Infections	16	5
Tonsillectomy	7	7
<u>Digestive Disorders</u>		
Appendectomy	6	6
Appendicitis	46	10
Colitis	9	9
Diabetes	4	19
Misc. Digestive Disorders	13	9
Fissure Anal	5	33
Food Poisoning	3	5
Gall Bladder Disorders	5	17
Gall Bladder Operations	3	40
Gastroenteritis	18	15
Hemorrhoids	14	8
Liver Disorders	2	27
Misc. Rectal Disorders	6	10
Rectal Fistula	6	8
Sprue	1	18
Ulcers	16	25
<u>Cardiovascular Disorders</u>		
Raynaud's Disease	1	1
Heart Condition	12	14
Hypertension	10	7
Misc. Circulatory Disorders	10	21
Thrombophlebitis	4	53

<u>Illnesses</u>	<u>No. of Cases</u>	<u>Averaged Days</u>
<u>Eye, Ear, & Nose Disorders</u>		
Ear Infections	9	10
Injuries to Cornea	5	6
Misc. Eye Conditions	6	19
Sinus Disorders	7	8
<u>Psychoneurosis</u>	20	19
<u>Urological Disorders</u>		
Kidney Disorders	14	15
Misc. Urological Disorders	12	15
Misc. Male Genito System Disorders	7	19
<u>Neurological Disorders</u>		
Neuritis	6	11
Multiple Sclerosis	1	33
<u>Skin Conditions</u>	11	7
<u>Gynecological Disorders</u>	19	7
<u>Locomotor System</u>		
Arthritis	18	9
Bursitis	6	5
Misc. Locomotor System Disorders	13	9
Osteoporosis	1	27
<u>Thyroid Gland</u>	4	28
<u>Allergic Reactions</u>	4	9
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